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Joint action pledged to protect world press freedom

By Robert Evans

PARIS — News executives from some 50 mainly Western organizations have pledged to work together to resist what they argue is a growing threat to world press freedom mounted through UNESCO.

French colonial rule, told the executives he was convinced they could find an understanding with the developing countries on the information issue. "But you must accept that the Third World has grown up. You must not conclude that it is always being manipulated by others," he declared.

meeting broke up without any decision. Western representatives, many of whom complained they had to insist on invitations before gaining admittance to the Paris meeting, argued that the proposed commission would have effective power to veto a journalist's movements by declining to issue him with a card if it saw fit.

Blaker said he did not agree that the fight was already lost within the U.N. agency for a genuine worldwide free information flow. The Talloires conference decided against issuing a pledge that participants would seek to persuade governments to withdraw support for UNESCO — a large part of whose finances come from the West — if all other efforts to change its course failed.

BEGIN'S LIES

Begin has been claiming that his aim in Lebanon is to protect that country's Christian community against the alleged mortal danger it faces. Everyone who knows anything about Begin took the claim with a hefty pinch of salt. But few in the Western press saw fit to investigate Israel's actual treatment of the Palestinian Christians who have the misfortune to live under its sway.

Spanish press vs. precarious democracy

Donald Trefford, editor of the Observer, visited Madrid recently for the fifth anniversary celebration of the liberal newspaper El Pais. Here he looks at the paper's place in Spain's precarious democracy.

few deft passes, then falls flat on his back in the dust. A sudden panic as he scampers undiplomatically for cover. A professional emerges in the nick of time — sword concealed in the scarlet cape — to intercept a ton of prime steak in full flight. I was left to wonder whose bravery was really being tested in this ritual:

depend. "We are the symbol," he said simply, "of the process by which Spain is reaching toward democracy". It was a characteristically bold, eloquent gesture by a man of 36 who has already survived one parcel bomb, a daring high-wire act that left even himself feeling dizzy.

Saudi Arabian Press Review

The weekend newspapers led with Crown Prince Fahd's exhaustive interview with the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) Wednesday, in which he declared that all Arabs will fight alongside Syria in any military engagement with the Israeli enemy.

mined to confront the Zionist enemy until victory is achieved, the paper said. In regard to the arms deal with the U.S., the paper said it is a question of national sovereignty and "we shall not allow anyone to interfere or to influence our national resolve on the matter."

that the U.S. should feel responsible in stopping Israel from perpetuating its barbarous acts in the region. The paper felt confident that U.S. officials have developed the dimensions of their understanding of the justness of the Arab case through their numerous discussions with the Arabs, and added that everyone interested in the Middle East issue hopes that the U.S. will take a positive step to solve the crisis.



An Israeli newspaper says Begin is in an unbalanced state and is behaving madly! Al Bilad

Letter to the editor

Sir, Foreign nationals coming to the Kingdom against working documents are required to submit their passports to their respective employers or sponsors for processing their resident permits as soon as they enter the country.

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Individual responsibility

Over the last few weeks we discussed the Islamic concepts of God, man and resurrection. We also spoke of man's need of guidance and the role of the Prophets. Last week we established the notion of man's accountability for what he does in his life. We have shown that every human being will face the reckoning, on the Day of Judgment, when he or she will be given his or her just reward. It is important to add, however, that the scene of Judgment on that eventful day is one of total equality and absolute justice. Every human being, man or woman, white or black, rich or poor, great or small, will stand in front of Allah. No one will have any position, title or power. They all will come there in their individual capacity as human beings. They will account for their actions on earth and their contribution to man's overall task, namely, his viceregency on earth. No mediation, influence or favoritism takes place; for the arbiter is Allah, the most just of all judges. As all men and women are His creation, He extends to them all equal treatment before the reckoning. They, however, face different destinies when the reckoning is over. The reckoning takes all circumstances and all motives into account. If human judges find this a perfectionist ideal which they dearly

love, but find impossible to attain, it is perfectly easy for Allah who knows every thought that flashes in every mind. His knowledge is infinite for He hears all and sees all. Hence it is easy for Him to establish motives as well as extenuating circumstances. He measures everything in His infallible measure and He treats us all with justice and equality. It is important to stress here that, according to Islam, Allah's mercy takes precedence over His punishment. He is always ready to forgive and He indeed forgives sins, great and small, within certain limits. These limits are those of the right faith, which is based on the unity of Allah. Hence, anyone who believes that Allah is the one and only God, that He has no partners, that He alone has the authority to legislate, may hope to be forgiven. But it is for Allah alone to decide whom He forgives. He, however, tells us in the Qur'an that those who do not believe in Him as the only God will not be forgiven. "Allah does not forgive that partners should be ascribed to Him, yet He forgives whomever else to whomsoever He wills. (The-Quran: 4: 116). To recap in brief: resurrection of all human beings is, according to Islam, a fact. To believe in the Day of Judgment is an essential part of the Islamic faith. On that day all men

Islam in perspective

What the Qur'an teaches

In the Name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful

No burdened soul can bear another's burden, and if one heavy laden cries for help with his load, naught of it will be lifted even though he (unto whom he cries) be of Kin. You warn only those who fear their Lord in secret, and have established worship. He who grows in goodness grows only for himself. Unto Allah is the journeying. (Fatir 35:18)

and women are brought to account for their deeds. Those who have done well in this life may be forgiven their sins. Their reward is Heaven. Those who deny Allah's unity and

His lordship over the universe will suffer His punishment. There will be no mediation, influence or favoritism. Each is responsible for his actions. Justice is absolute.

The life of the Prophet - 7

Muhammad's early followers

The first encounter between Muhammad and Jibril the angel, a detailed account of which was given last week, left Muhammad trembling in fear. He rushed to Khadeejah and asked to be wrapped. Her cousin, Waraqa, who was a learned Christian, reassured Muhammad that he is the recipient of Allah's message. This encounter was followed by other visits to Muhammad, during which Jibril explained to him the nature of his message and that he would be coming down, time after time, with the word of Allah, which is to become the Qur'an, the constitution to be implemented by all generations of humanity. Muhammad accepted the new faith and declared his belief in the unity of Allah. He started to approach those who were very close to him, explaining his message and calling upon them to believe in Allah. The first to accept the new faith was his wife, Khadeejah. She had already known him to be a man of noble heart and upright nature and she trusted that such a person cannot tell anything which is untrue. It was indeed a blessing from Allah that Khadeejah should readily accept the new faith. She was to give Muhammad her unwavering support and to comfort him in the years to come when opposition to his message was to increase in

ferocity and wickedness. The first man to accept Islam after the Prophet was his servant, Zaid ibn Haritha. When Zaid was a boy he was kidnapped and sold as a slave in Makkah. He was bought by an uncle of Khadeejah who later presented her with the young boy. When she married Muhammad she offered him Zaid as a present. Muhammad, who abhorred slavery even before his Prophethood, set him free, but Zaid stayed with him. Zaid's father learned later that his kidnapped son was seen in Makkah, so he came along to buy his freedom. When he made his offer to Muhammad he answered: "I'll make you a better offer: I'll call Zaid and let him choose either to go with you or stay with me." Zaid then told his father he preferred to stay with Muhammad. Over the years Zaid learned enough of Muhammad's integrity, honesty and kindness to prompt him to believe in his message without hesitation. Abu Bakr, Muhammad's childhood friend, and Ali, his 10-year-old cousin, were the next to declare their belief in the new message. Thus, the first family of Muslim was born, and Islam was to spread slowly but steadily. To be continued next Friday

Study shows low crime rate in Kingdom

By Adnan Sadeq Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH — Amidst the growing population of both Saudi Arabians and expatriates in the country, as well as the continuous building expansion, there is noticeable increase in the number of crimes, ranging between 0.2 and 0.3 percent. But this ratio is far less than the proportion of population explosion in a developing country like Saudi Arabia. A progressive society with ambitious development plans, such as Saudi Arabia, cannot be free from crimes, even the word "crimes" in such a tradition-oriented society is considered a relative expression. Some crimes, which take place in Saudi Arabia, may not be considered crime in other countries, such as the drinking of intoxicants or physical intimacy with a marriageable person. But these are crimes to Saudi Arabia, because the country takes its inspiration from divine law.

No society is free from crimes like murder, theft, rape, drug abuse and so on. But if we compare the ratio of such crimes in Saudi Arabia with any other country of the world, we will find that the number of such crimes is very small. This again is the result of following divine law and its application to every walk of life. The criminal is punished, tooth for a tooth and eye for an eye, under the Quranic injunctions.

We can say that crime in Saudi Arabia has not yet reached the stage of a major social problem and also that organized crime and gangsterism do not exist in this country. The crimes that take place are mostly of an individual nature, reflecting old Arab habits such as blood revenge or its like. Murders in the Kingdom, if examined, will be found mostly committed by mistake or on the basis of personal disputes which sometimes reach the ferocity of brutal beating to death. As far as pre-meditated murder, or with the intention of theft, is concerned, they seldom happen. For example, there has been only one every three years, according to the statistics of the past 10 years from 1970 to 1980.

Japan tradition helps workers live in dignity

By William Chapman

OSAKA, Japan (WP) — For 22 years, Okujiro Kitagawa cut metal for the freighters built at the Sanoyasu docks here and joked forward to working at his trade under the usual company agreement that kept men employed until the age of 58.

But in March 1979, when ship sales were falling fast, his boss came around and bluntly informed him he was off the payroll. He could, the boss said, take a welding job at another company plant some distance away. Kitagawa hung and is still hither. "It was the way they did it," he recalled evenly. "There was no dialogue. He just came up with a piece of paper that said, Kitagawa — welding." Kitagawa turned the offer down and left after shouting out his rant at a company director. He lived for 11 months on unemployment insurance and worked six more months at a part-time job until fortune smiled. He got a new metal-cutting job near home which, except for smaller bonuses, pays most as much as Sanoyasu did. His case underscores two important points about unemployment in Japan's prosperous economy. First, despite the fabled lifetime

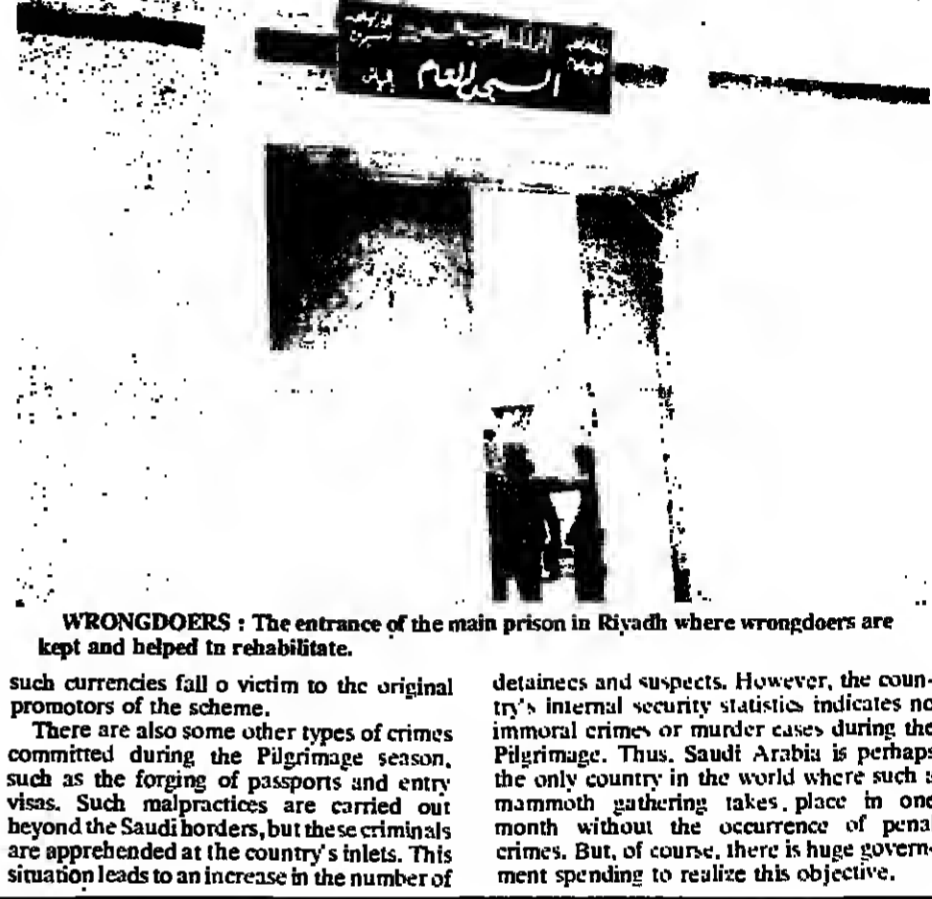
employment system so widely admired, workers do lose jobs when hard times come. It can be personally humiliating and financially difficult. But, second, the system worked earnestly to ease the pain. Kitagawa was offered other choices by the job market — the government helped through the hard time, and he emerged from his middle-aged trauma a productive wage-earner with family intact. By most conventional measurements, Japan's way of dealing with unemployment is a huge success, justifiably envied around the world. The statistics of that success are stunning. Japan's unemployment rate peaked at just 2.2 percent in 1978 under pressures generated by the first oil shock, while the West was accepting rates four times higher and worse. Unemployment in Japan, acknowledges a U.S. Labor Department study, "has remained lower and more stable than in the other major industrial nations." The bright record goes against the impression that Japan has created something new under the sun — a post-industrial perpetual-employment machine that keeps workers employed through good times and bad. It is partly an exaggeration. For one thing, the Japanese system has never been tested

severely over the long haul. High growth rates are responsible for the success in large part. Moreover, the Japanese system masks considerable degree of "hidden unemployment" that is most troublesome for middle-aged and older workers, who are often the first to be laid off. But those caveats aside, the point remains that when Japan's system was tested, it reacted differently from those in the West. When recessions come, a unique blend of corporate patience, labor cooperation and government support comes into play. This mixture cushions the shock, minimizes layoffs and — most important experts believe — slows down the drift to joblessness that is often a panicky process of shredding payrolls in the West.

Moreover, Japan has been both skillful and fortunate in dealing with "structural depressions" in dying industries. Outdated industries are allowed to perish while new, more competitive ones take their place. The government guides that process and helps workers cross the gap to new jobs. The mainspring of this success is not, as Japanese sometimes brag, a lifetime employment system. Nothing like that really exists. Companies generally agree to keep workers on the payroll until they are between 55 and 60. That may have once been the end of useful work, but it is no longer so. In fact, 86 percent of Japanese men between 55 and 64 still work, which means that many found other jobs when their "lifetime" company jobs ended. Moreover, lifetime employment applies mainly to Japan's larger companies and apparently only to a minority of the total jobs here. No precise statistics are available, but Minoru Ito, researcher at the National Institute of Employment and Vocational Research, estimates that only about a third of all Japanese workers are covered by lifetime employment promises. But within the accepted age range, Japanese companies make extraordinary efforts to avoid firing workers. They shift workers to other jobs in healthy factories, loan them to other companies temporarily, cut working hours to let all share some work, stop recruiting and urge older ones to "voluntarily" retire early with fattened retirement checks. Estimates show that hundreds of thousands of unneeded workers were kept on company payrolls while Japan sweated out the oil-shock recession. Many were assigned to make-work jobs like clipping lawns and trash collection, Nippon steel assigned several hundred steelworkers to a fish hatchery. Companies like Kawasaki steel simply "loaned" skilled employees to booming auto plants like Isuzu Motors. Hours were cut from 8 to 6 or 4 a day to spread out the payroll.

plans has been the influx of expatriates from all nationalities, belonging especially to the labor class. This category brings with it its own customs and traditions. One of the negative effects of development plans, although much less important than the positive ones, is the rise in the various forms and methods of crime, mostly of a financial nature. According to statistics, 64 percent of crimes are committed by non-Saudis while their ratio, as compared to natives, does not exceed 20 to 25 percent.

The Impact of Over 2 million Pilgrims During the Pilgrimage season, the Saudi Arabian government intensifies its security forces in the Western Province, in view of the great number of people coming in from all parts of the world for the Pilgrimage. This season sees a slight rise in the rate of crime which is normally of an ordinary nature, such as pickpocketing and fraud. This takes place owing to a huge crowd of people of different complexions speaking different languages. According to the Interior Ministry's reports, some people come during the Pilgrimage season for the purpose of pickpocketing and swindling. However, crimes of a more serious nature have also taken place, and Saudi statistics and statements have already indicated the non-receptivity of such crimes by Saudi Arabians. These crimes involve counterfeiting currency, and those involved in



WRONGDOERS: The entrance of the main prison in Riyadh where wrongdoers are kept and helped in rehabilitation. Such currencies fall a victim to the original promoters of the scheme. There are also some other types of crimes committed during the Pilgrimage season, such as the forging of passports and entry visas. Such malpractices are carried out beyond the Saudi borders, but these criminals are apprehended at the country's inlets. This situation leads to an increase in the number of detainees and suspects. However, the country's internal security statistics indicates no immoral crimes or murder cases during the Pilgrimage. Thus, Saudi Arabia is perhaps the only country in the world where such a mammoth gathering takes place in one month without the occurrence of penal crimes. But, of course, there is huge government spending to realize this objective.

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Advertisement for Saudi Business magazine covering various topics. Topics include: COVER: One of the expanding, but less noticed, fields, is electricity. NIGEL HARVEY on page 22 looks into the electricity in the Kingdom and discusses the issues of tariffs, expansion and the consolidated companies. BAHRAIN CENSUS: Bahrain conducted its second census to find that a third of the population are foreigners. LOUISE DENEVER of the Gulf Bureau analyzes the census results. FOOD SECURITY: Dubai recently hosted a conference on Gulf food security. The region is consuming more than it produces and the gap is widening in an alarming way. The Gulf Bureau reports on the conference, its findings and recommendations.

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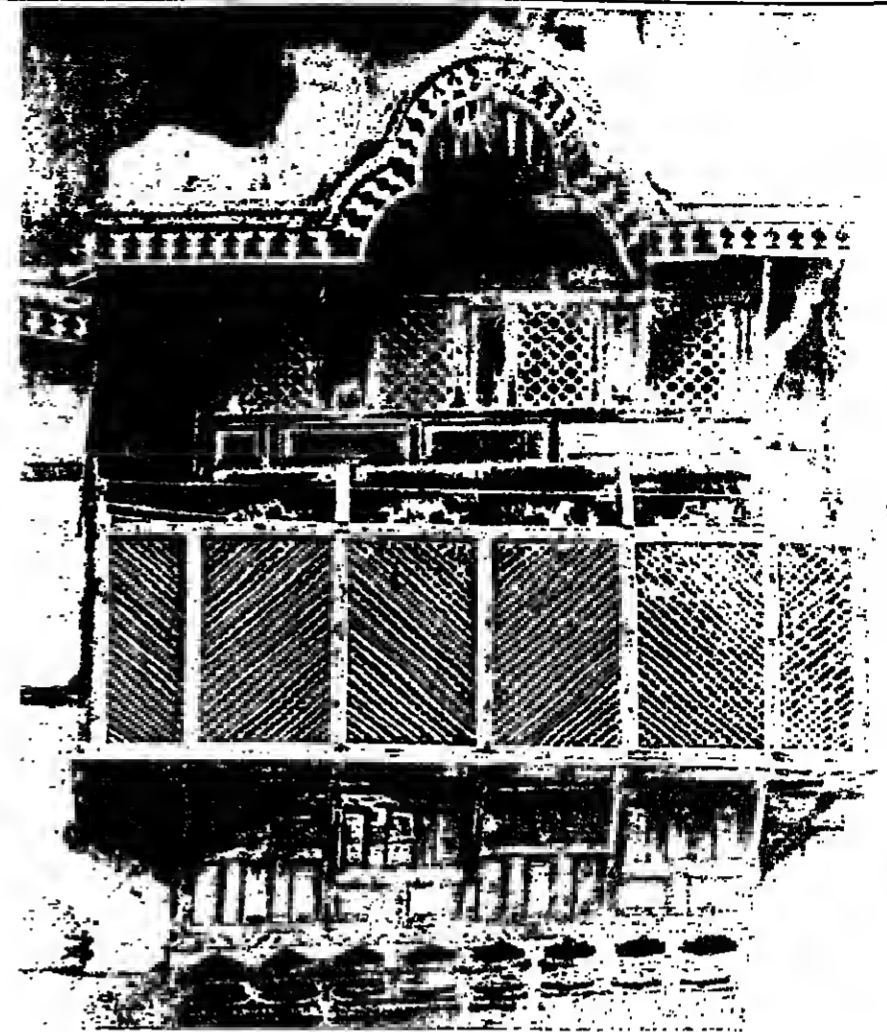
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THE CITY: Among the photographs is a 10x1.5 meter scene of the southwestern part of the city. Picture shows a portion of that scene and includes Jeddah's distinctive water tower. Center shows a man walking down narrow alley in old Jeddah, and far right shows some masharabia lattice work.



FISHING LIFE: The photographer captured these scenes from the Red Sea. With a new fish market being built and changes occurring in the fishing industry, these show fishermen might be seeing the last of their days.

### Exhibiting old new Jeddah

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, May 21 — The Tag Arts Gallery was opened by Mayor Muhammad Said Farsi Tuesday to show about 200 photographs of old and new Jeddah.

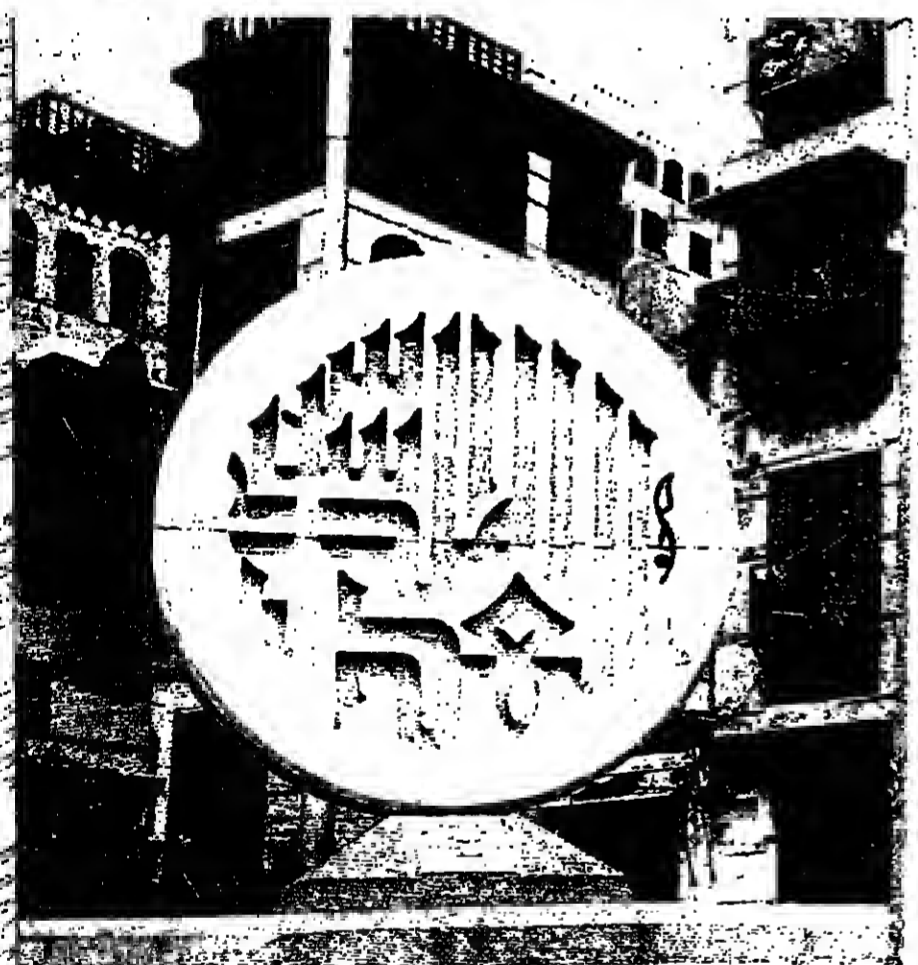
The photographs were taken by French artist Gerard Delorme and his assistant Bruno Lyet. The photos were printed on canvas and plastic-coated to give them the look of an original painting.

Delorme has visited Saudi Arabia more than 60 times since 1973. Older and fast-disappearing localities have been preserved for posterity by Delorme's camera, but particularly by the process which turns the photograph into a piece of art worth displaying.

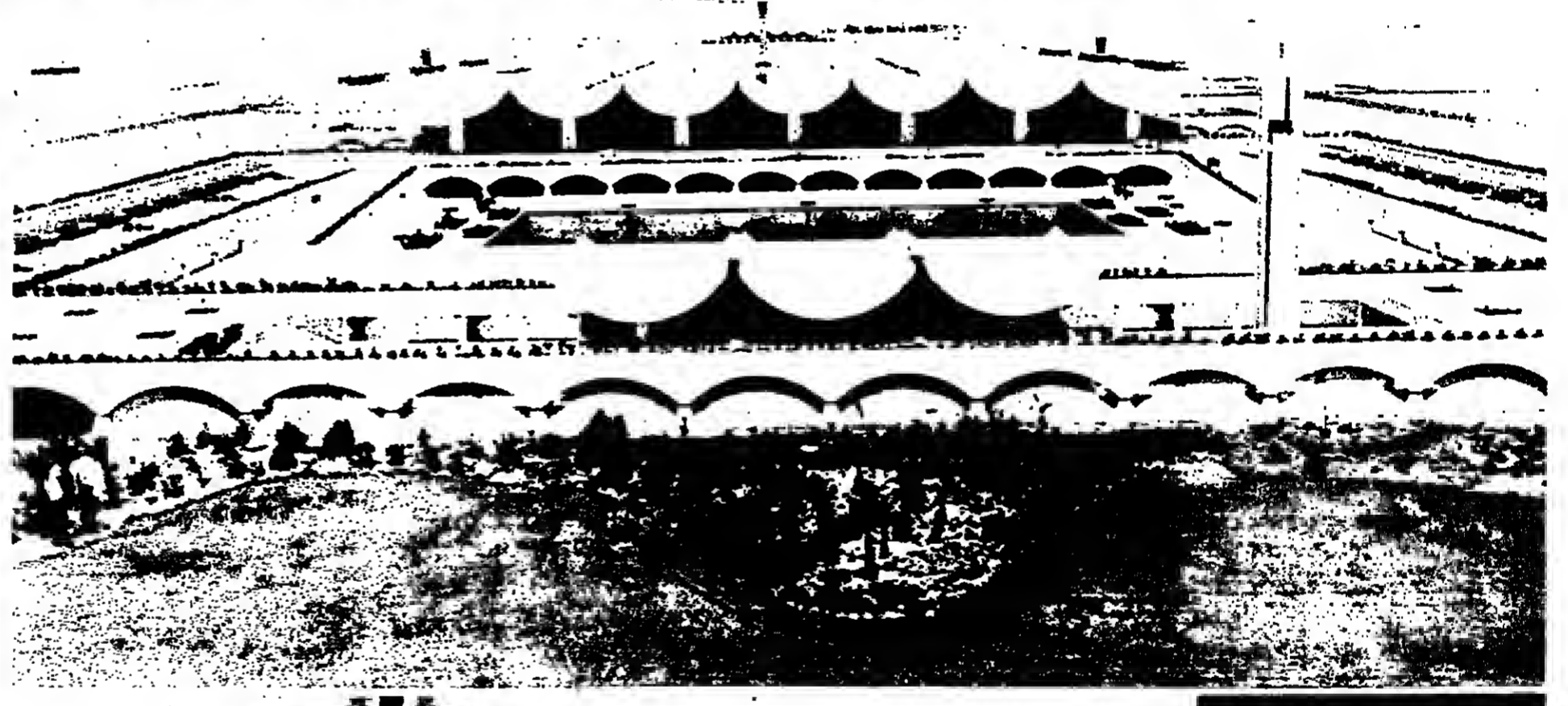
"Those in love with cameras can produce good artwork, but the plastification process and canvases combine to enhance their beauty a thousand-fold," Delorme told Arab News.



Delorme already has thought of developing the Jeddah scenes into a national undertaking by duplicating the effort for other cities, especially Abha which he believes is one of the best places for photography. He also is planning photo calendars, diaries and other company giveaways and puzzles for children. Here, Arab News presents a few of his works.



MONUMENT: Jeddah has a vast array of monuments in and around the city. Here a monument inscribed with Arabic writing stands in the old section of the city.



AIRPORT: One of the greatest technological triumphs in Jeddah is the new Jeddah International Airport. One of the largest in the world, it is due to open on May 31.

The airport has a royal pavilion, its own desalination plant and three terminals. Saudi will have exclusive use of one terminal and international airlines will use a second terminal.

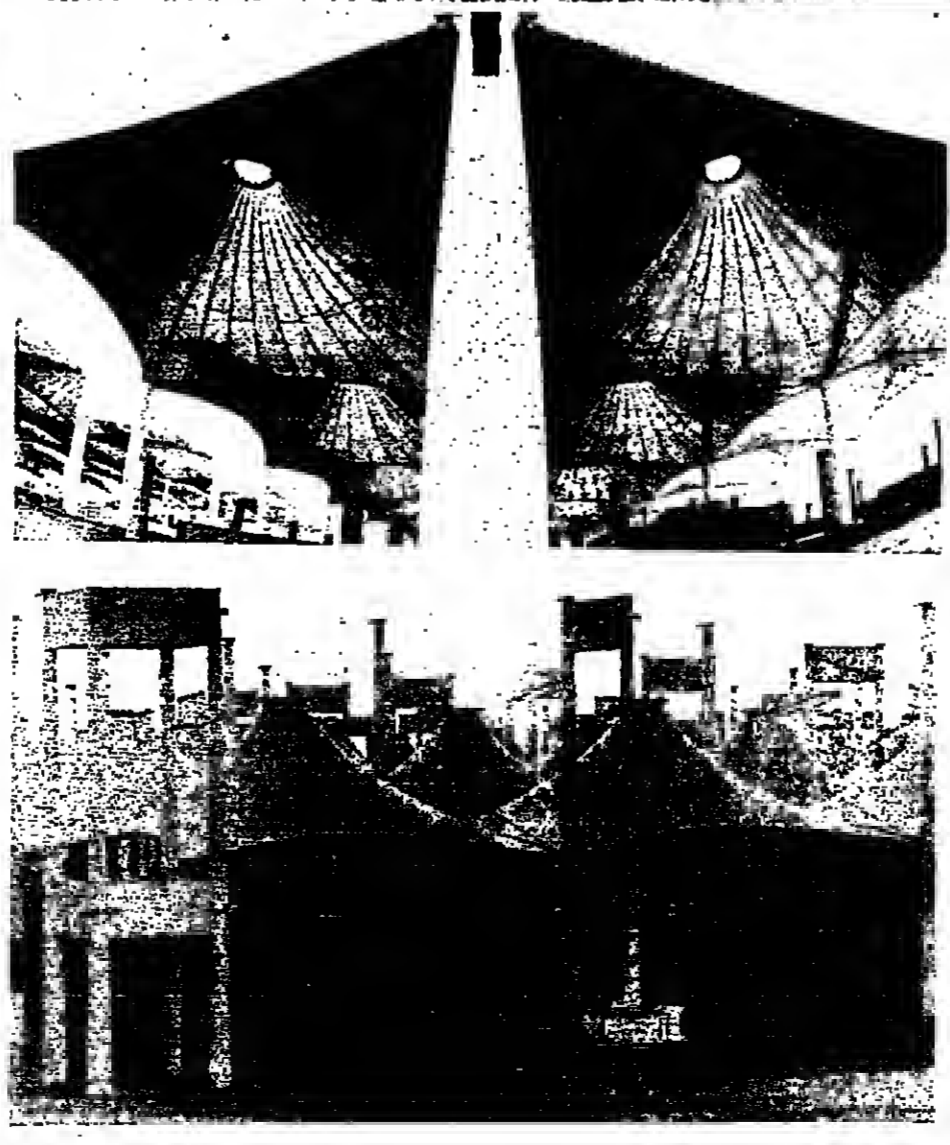
However, the third terminal will be used to accommodate pilgrims arriving to perform Haj. The Haj terminal occupies an area of approximately 1.5 sq. km., about 150 hectares (370 acres). The central mall of the structure contains a complete roadway system that connects the terminal to airport access roads.

Each half of the terminal can handle 10 747 aircraft simultaneously. Another 24 wide-body aircraft can be parked on the aprons, plus 24 other aircraft.

The terminal is covered by 210 tent-like roof units made of fiberglass fabric and coated with Teflon. Use of the fabric permits natural light to filter into the areas below. The open sides permit desert breezes to circulate through the structure. Venting occurs through the openings at the tops of each tent unit.



ROUTE TO WATER: Water is life in the city. And though the Red Sea has plenty of water, it needs to be purified before use. Above, a monument made from the first desalination plant. At right, a new monument in the shape of an incense burner is water into the air.



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ANDY CAPP comic strip panels with dialogue about Albert and questions.

BEETLE BAILEY comic strip panels featuring Beetle and a character named I AM.

BLONDIE comic strip panels showing Blondie and a character named ABCROMBIE.

B.C. comic strip panels depicting a character in a landscape with dialogue about fertilizer.

HAGAR comic strip panels showing Hagar and ducks in a field.

SMALL SOCIETY comic strip panels featuring a character with a newspaper and a building.

WIZARD comic strip panels showing Wizard and other characters.

SMITH'S TENNIS CLASS comic strip panels depicting tennis-related scenes.

DENNIS the MENACE



LOOK! I BROUGHT MY OWN BANANA SPLIT DISH AN' MY OWN SPOON! THAT OUGHTA MAKE IT A LOT CHEAPER, HUH?

Contract Bridge Bidding Quiz

You are South and the bidding has gone: South 1 ♠ North 1♥

What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

- 1. ♠7 ♥Q85 ♦KJ63 2. ♠K1098 ♥Q83 ♦4 ♣AKJ63

Bob Gibson Believe It or Not!



Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake FOR FRIDAY, MAY 22, 1981

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 18) Be on your guard concerning business agreements.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Deceptive trends affect financial dealings.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You can overextend yourself creditwise.

CANCER (June 21 to July 23) If you're already involved romantically, avoid flirting at a social gathering.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You're easily distracted now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Don't seek career advantages from social meetings.

Scrabble section with crossword puzzle grid.

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Advertisement for 'Shahada' featuring a stylized bird logo and the text 'شهادة'.

Spain's parliament approves tough emergency powers

MADRID, May 21 (AP) — Spain's parliament has approved a law giving the government emergency powers to arrest at will, search private homes, tap all communications, close newspapers, suspend business operations, seize transport, banish citizens, ban strikes and establish curfews.

3 killed, 20 hurt Iraqi missiles hit Dezful

NICOSIA, May 21 (AP) — Iran has charged Iraqi forces fired ground-to-ground missiles on the southwestern Iranian city of Dezful, killing at least three persons and injuring 20 others.

Afghan fighters seize Soviet device

ISLAMABAD, May 21 (AFP) — Afghan fighters resisting the Moscow-backed government in Kabul have been showing off their latest booty: a super-light, Soviet-made telescopic anti-tank missile launcher.

Mauroy joined socialist movement at early age

PARIS, May 21 (Agencies) — Pierre Mauroy, named premier Thursday in the first French Socialist government since 1958, is a moderate, and part of his job will be to reassure the jittery French electorate to support the left in the crucial legislative elections next month.



BALANCING ACT: This Spanish milkmaid carries out her work in an old-fashioned way. Every day she makes her journey from her tiny village to a nearby town balancing several milk cans on her head. And just for good measure, she has one on each arm as well.

Pope takes a few steps

ROME, May 21 (AP) — Pope John Paul II is eating some semi-solid food and taking a few steps in his hospital room, and doctors are pleased by the progress he has made since he was wounded by gunfire a week ago.

Peru backs press bill

LIMA, Peru, May 21 (AP) — President Fernando Belaunde Terry gave his support Wednesday to a proposed statute which would create a national journalism society.

Carter's policy on arms sales reversed

WASHINGTON, May 21 (AP) — A top State Department official Thursday outlined a new policy of increased arms sales abroad, declaring that Carter administration efforts to restrict such transactions produced "catastrophic" results.

Cosmonauts set to return

MOSCOW, May 21 (AP) — Russian cosmonaut Dumitri Prunaru and his Soviet mission commander, Leonid Popov, prepared Thursday to return to earth after a week aboard the Soviet union's Salyut 6 space station, Tass reported.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen. I traveled abroad for the first time years and years ago, when I and the world were young. Travel was nothing like it is today.

Former Polish premier suspended from party

WARSAW, May 21 (R) — Polish former Prime Minister Edward Babuch has been suspended from membership in his local Communist Party branch because of errors committed when he held high government and party posts, a party's provincial newspaper said Thursday.

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